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In re Application of MITCHEN et al.

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DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 5, 2004, to revive the above-identified application. The petition was recently forwarded to the Office of Petitions for a decision on the merits. The Office apologizes for any inconvenience.

The present petition contains the typed name of the practitioner; however, it lacks a signature as required in 37 CFR 1.4(d). Although the certificate of mailing, which appears on the first page of the petition bears the signature of the practitioner, two signatures are required, one for the paper and one for the certification. See MPEP 512(A).

The Office cannot accept the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) because petitioner failed to comply with the signature requirement. Consequently, the present petition will not be addressed on the merits until petitioner files a "renewed" petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) signed by an appropriate person in compliance with 37 CFR 1.4. No addition fee is required for filing a "renewed" petition.

The "renewed" petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)."

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